

WORK AND SAVE THE HIGH COST CURE

Tinkering With Laws But
Adds to Country's Distress,
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LIFE NECESSITIES SHORT

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ues of World.

In a letter to Attorney-General Palmer last week Gov. McKelvie of Nebraska announced that he had postponed a proposed conference to be held in Lincoln, Neb., to discuss the high cost of living, asserting that "artificial causes" were the cause of the evil of profiteering. The Gov. asked Gov. McKelvie for a statement of his plans for reducing present high prices and he replied with the subjoined:

By SAMUEL R. MCKELVIE,
Governor of Nebraska.
Special Despatch to THE SUN.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 16.—The cost of living has agitated the world to a point now where I think those who view it from the point of its causes are agreed upon the solution and this is answered—work and save.

There is no gainsaying the fact that even the most moderate tempered citizens of our country have been greatly disturbed by the very high cost of things they have had to buy.

As for the radicals, there have been almost no superlatives that would describe their attitude toward the whole situation. This has created a physiological condition, which in addition to the generally disturbed situation throughout the world demands the most thoughtful consideration of the causes and remedies for the very high range of prices that exists everywhere.

It is most natural that the first cry for relief should go up to the Government in the hope that through the enactment and enforcement of laws prices would be forced to a lower range. And quite promptly the Government has attempted to respond. But only in isolated cases has any adequate remedy been produced through these channels. To the contrary much injury has been done.

It is patent that legislation and law enforcement will not remedy ills that have been produced through the operation of natural economic forces. And it is the operation of such forces that stands largely responsible to-day for the high cost of living. There is a shortage of supply in the necessities of life, nor should we be surprised that such a condition exists.

War Depleted Labor's Ranks.

It was not long after our country entered the war until thousands of men were taken out of productive pursuits and enlisted in the army. By the time the war was ended the number thus engaged totaled about four million. Not only were these men taken out of production, but their consuming needs were largely enhanced and cost of maintenance was greatly increased, for nearly half our army was in a foreign land, thousands of miles from the base of production.

Factories and mills were also converted to war production. Industry that had been working upon a peace time programme was promptly turned into the production of materials that are in no wise necessary in times of peace.

And about everything else that has to do with our material welfare felt the same influences of the change that came from peace to war.

It is now quite a year since the war ended and the elements that enter into production have not yet returned to normal. In the meantime the demands upon the United States by foreign countries for the necessities of subsistence and material progress have grown tremendously.

There has been created a very great shortage of supply throughout the entire world.

Add to this the influence of war conditions upon monetary values. There is almost no one who does not know that through the increase of currency or its equivalent the value of the dollar has been reduced by at least one-half.

So the purchasing power of money has been affected.

Remedy Lies in People.

To assume that the natural results that have been thus produced by the operation of the fundamental laws of economy can be righted by the artificial laws of man is an ungrounded position. And those who would lead the people so to think are doing the country a positive injury. The remedy must come from the people themselves, and the sooner this is understood the sooner the forces that support the economic laws will be set to work to increase the supply of things we need.

We recognized this condition during the war, and it was a common expression then that the one who would not work was no less a slacker than the one who shirked military duty. The same rule holds true to-day.

Moreover, wastefulness and extravagance are twin evils of this hour and may be placed in the same category with idleness. Particular emphasis should be placed upon this fact, for there has never been a time in our history when the people have been party to such an orgy of extravagant spending and speculation as now.

To get rich without work seems to be the ambition of every one, and to criticise every want without regard to cost or the future is no less the practice of one than another.

To be sure there is profiteering. Indeed, every one is a potential profiteer. I have yet to meet the one who is not exacting about all the traffic will bear. This remedy for this is increased supply. In the meantime about all that the law can do is to see that the avenues of material progress are kept free from illegal combinations and unfair practices.

Price Fixing Artificial.

Be led not astray by any programme of artificial fixing or control of prices. Efforts to effect remedies through such channels were old a thousand years ago and the results were always the same—failure. Incidentally, the one who cries out for such a programme usually has the other fellow in mind. Labor inveighs against any effort to stop it from organizing to fix its own price and conditions. What would it say if the Government were to attempt to fix the price and industry simply meets the large by quitting the fields of less profitable production for those that are more inviting?

I would not have the State relax its vigil in the doing of everything that will enable the natural laws of economy to function normally. But I would have it cease all useless agitation and fix the responsibility where it belongs. During the past three months the farmers of Nebraska have suffered the loss of no less than \$10,000,000 through the decline in the prices of agricultural products, and yet the consumer has not been benefited.

Those who have profited through this decline will not be reached to-day, perhaps, but their day is coming and I feel safe that I properly forecast the

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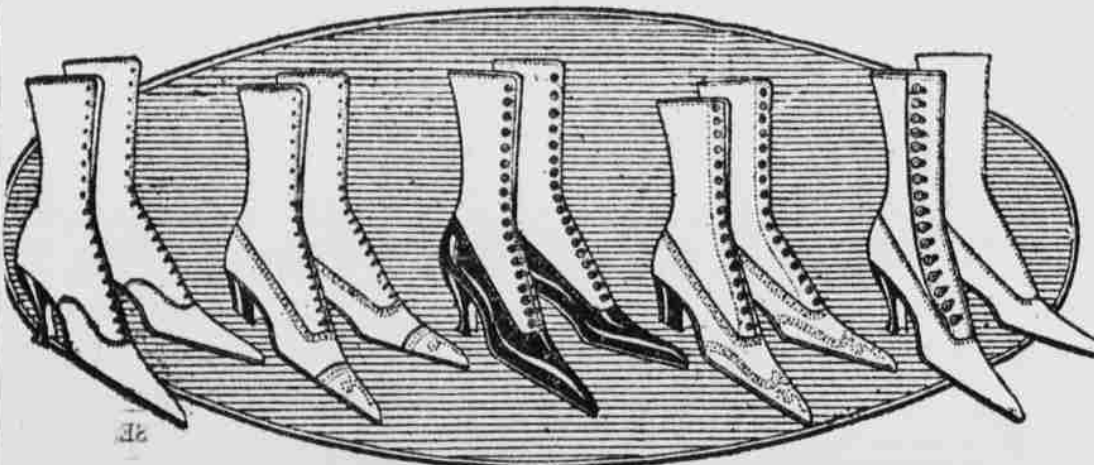
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